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#### LIFE GROUPS

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. (Acts 2:42)

Life Group schedules are a bit different during the summer months, but there are plenty of opportunities to invite one another over to each other's houses for Gospel discussions, hymn sings & hot dogs, prayer, and familial fun times! Please do something intentional THIS WEEK to invest some time with your brothers and sisters in Christ! If you're a drawing a blank about where to start, email one of the ECPC following life group leaders:

JON WILKINSON, JAYSON CLEARY, ALEX PARMAN, TYLER DIRKS JASON PITEO, BRAD CRAVER, MIKE SCHNEE, BRETT BONNEMA

East Charlotte Pres is a church that strives to be defined by the Gospel -- inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.



**ORDER OF WORSHIP** 

SUNDAY, JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**REV. TYLER DIRKS** 

### SONG OF PRAISE

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

. Robinson | J. Wyeth

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it - Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, here by Thy great help I've come And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God He, to rescue me from danger interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it - Prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart, O take and seal it - Seal it for Thy courts above

O that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face; Clothed then in blood washed linen, How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace; Come, my Lord, no longer tarry, Take my ransomed soul away; Send thine angels now to carry, Me to realms of endless day.

#### P.U.B. NIGHT — Should we spend more time with Christians or non-Christians?

Promoting an Understanding of the Bible (P.U.B.) Night is a unique event where we intentionally slow down together to discuss things that matter in a laid back "round table" atmosphere. In June we will explore questions about our neighbors. When Jesus says love your neighbor, who is that? Is it simply our neighbors next door or is it also our Facebook neighbors or other possibilities? Do you even know your neighbors? What does it look like to "love" our neighbors? How much time should we spend with our church family versus those outside the church? Come discuss what authentic community should look like, practically speaking, in today's world. Sat. June 13th, 8pm at the Tringali residence — 4631 Chuckwood Dr, Mint Hill. Bring drinks and snacks to share.

# — UPCOMING EVENTS —

Jun 12	Men's Bible Study
Jun 13	P.U.B. NIGHT
Jun 14	BAPTISM
Jun 15	Women's Ministry: Pinterest Night
JUN 19	Men's Bible Study
JUN 21	LORD'S SUPPER
JUN 26	Men's Bible Study
JUL 03	Men's Bible Study
JUL 05	LORD'S SUPPER
JUL 10	Men's Bible Study
JUL 12	VISITORS LUNCH
JUL 17	Men's Bible Study
JUL 19	LORD'S SUPPER

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Mr. Bruce Richardson

# **SONG OF RESPONSE**

HOW HE LOVES

He is jealous for me
Love's like a hurricane, I am a tree
Bending beneath the weight of his wind and mercy.
When all of a sudden, I am unaware of these afflictions eclipsed by glory,
And I realize just how beautiful You are,
And how great Your affections are for me.

Oh, how he loves us so, Oh, how he loves us, How he loves us so.

#### chorus

He loves us, Oh how he loves us, Oh how he loves us, Oh how he loves.

So we are his portion and he is our prize,
Drawn to redemption by the grace in his eyes,
And If grace is an ocean we're all sinking.
So heaven meets earth like an unforeseen kiss,
And my heart turns violently inside of my chest.
I don't have time to maintain these regrets when I think about the way...

**BENEDICTION** REV. Tyler Dirks

### - MISSIONS & MERCY UPDATE -

ECPC is excited to support Pregnancy Resource Center of Charlotte. PRC Charlotte (prccharlotte.com) is a non-profit medical clinic that provides free, "compassionate support to 75,000 women and families in our community affected by unplanned pregnancy". PRC Charlotte is on the frontlines of the effort to educate our community on the value of each human life and they provide accurate information on how abortion affects life. As one of our mercy partners, we look forward to partnering with PRC Charlotte. The Mission and Mercy team of ECPC encourages the congregation to:

- pray for the work of PRC Charlotte, particularly for the relationships they develop with the women who visit for consultation
- consider financial support of PRC Charlotte
- talk with the Mission and Mercy team about ways we can get involved with the work of PRC Charlotte

**Leader:** LORD, you have given us Your Spirit and have adopted us into Your family so that we may call you "Father." We are heirs to the riches of your kingdom.

**People:** And yet, although you treat us like sons & daughters, we have made ourselves your enemy. Apart from your Spirit, nothing good dwells within us. Instead, in these bodies of flesh, we are governed by sin. Lord, have mercy!

**Leader:** Father, You have given us Your Holy Spirit, through whom we find life and peace. Your Spirit intercedes for your people according to your will and radically changes our hearts from within.

**People:** Now we have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. We do not do the good we want, but the evil we do not want is what we keep on doing. How wretched we are! Lord, have mercy, and deliver us from these bodies of death!

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**ROMANS 8:1-2** 

### SONG OF THANKSGIVING

MIGHTY TO SAVE

B. Fielding | R. Morgan

Everyone needs compassion, A love that's never failing; Let mercy fall on me Everyone needs forgiveness, The kindness of a Savior; The Hope of nations

#### chorus

Savior, He can move the mountains, My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save. Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures, Fill my life again I give my life to follow, Everything I believe in, Now I surrender

#### bridge

Shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singing For the glory of the risen King, Jesus Shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singing For the glory of the risen King

### GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

#### SONG OF PREPARATION

God is able. He will never fail

He is Almighty God

Greater than all we seek Greater than all we ask He has done great things GOD IS ABLE B. Fielding, R. Morgan



### PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

#### "LOVE YOUR ENEMY"

1 SAMUEL 26:1-25

- I. SEE FOR YOURSELF (1-12)
- II. Show 'EM THE STANDARD (13-16)
- III. SCORN SEPARATION FROM GOD...
  SAVOR THE SALVATION OF GOD (17-25)

#### chorus

Lifted up He defeated the grave Raised to life our God is able In His Name we overcome For the our God is able

God is with us, God is on our side He will make a way Far above all we know Far above all we hope He has done great things

#### bridge

God is with us, He will go before He will never leave us, He will never leave us God is for us, He has open arms He will never fail us, He will never fail us

### ending

For the Lord our God is able For the Lord our God is able

### THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

PASTORAL PRAYER

Mr. MIKE SCHNEE

# **REFLECTION OUESTIONS:**

- 1) Do you assume the worst of those who have wronged you? ...OR do you practice empathy and aim for repentance? Think of one enemy in your life who you could make an effort to empathize with.
- 2) How do you feel Jesus words, "You must be perfect, as your Heavenly Father is perfect." (Matthew 5:48)? When was a time you humbly showed someone the Absolute Standard revealed to us in the Bible? How'd it go?
- 3) Do you HATE those things that keep you from having a share in the heritage of the LORD (i.e. the church [see Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6; 14:2; 26:18; Mal. 3:17])?
- WHY!? does God love you? On what basis does He call the church His treasured possession? ...On what basis is she precious in His sight?